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Human Services Names 2 Division Directors

Human Services Director Lisa-Michele Church has announced the appointment of two division directors. Both previously served as acting directors. George Kelner will lead the Division of Services for People with Disabilities, and Alan Ormsby is Division of Aging and Adult Services Director.

“With his keen mind and compassionate heart, George will bring stability and vision to the division’s important work,” Church said. A 22-year Human Services employee, Kelner has been acting director since March of 2004. “George’s leadership already has and will continue to move the division forward in meeting the needs of individuals with disabilities.”

Ormsby has been acting director in Aging and Adult Services since January and was legal services developer prior to that. “Alan brings a deep understanding of the legal issues faced by elderly Utahns and a passionate commitment to improving services for our senior population,” Church said.

“I’m deeply concerned with all the individuals who desperately need services,” Kelner said. “I want to get stakeholders to the table and work intensively to develop new strategies to help these individuals and their families.”

“Aging and Adult Services has a tremendous opportunity to advocate for Utah’s growing senior population,” Ormsby said. “Many people don’t realize that Utah’s senior population is growing faster than its school age population. Utah has more than 200,000 citizens 65 and older. By 2030 we will have 500,000 seniors. I am excited to lead the division as it prepares for the challenges and opportunities of our aging population.”

Kelner has a PhD in educational psychology. Prior to becoming acting director, he was associate director for four years. He has oversight over all division programs and at Utah State Developmental Center. He manages a \$160 million budget and oversees about 1,000 employees.

Ormsby has a Juris Doctor and a bachelor of science in business administration. He manages division programs and has oversight of programs provided through local aging agencies. He manages a \$22 million budget and has 65 employees.